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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION HEARINGS ON SINGLE-FIRM CONDUCT TO CONTINUE ON NOVEMBER 15

Session to be Held in Washington, D.C. to Focus on Exclusive Dealing

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice's Antitrust Division and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) today announced that the latest in a series of joint public hearings designed to examine the implications of single-firm conduct under the antitrust laws will take place on Nov. 15, 2006, in Washington, D.C. As previously announced, these hearings will examine whether and when specific types of single-firm conduct may violate Section 2 of the Sherman Act by harming competition and consumer welfare and when they are procompetitive and lawful. The hearings will continue during the coming months.

The panels on Nov. 15 will explore exclusive-dealing arrangements. The sessions will be held at the FTC's Conference Center at 601 New Jersey Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C., Conference Room A.

Further information is provided below:

Exclusive Dealing (9:30 A.M. –12:00 P.M.):

Jonathan M. Jacobson is a partner at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, and commissioner of the Antitrust Modernization Commission.

Howard P. Marvel is a professor of economics, department of economics, at Ohio State University, and professor of law at the Michael E. Moritz College of Law, Ohio State University.

Richard M. Steuer is a partner at Mayer, Brown, Rowe, & Maw LLP.

Mary W. Sullivan is an assistant professor of accountancy at George Washington University.

Joshua D. Wright is an assistant professor of law at George Mason University School of Law.

Exclusive Dealing (1:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.):

Stephen Calkins is a professor of law and the director of graduate studies at Wayne State University Law School, of counsel at Covington & Burling LLP, and former general counsel of the Federal Trade Commission.

Joseph Farrell is a professor of economics at the University of California, Berkeley, and a former Deputy Assistant Attorney General at the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division.

Benjamin Klein is a professor emeritus, department of economics, at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Abbott (Tad) Lipsky is a partner at Latham & Watkins LLP, and a former Deputy Assistant Attorney General at the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division.

The public and press are invited to attend all of the hearings. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested parties may submit written comments to the Antitrust Division and the FTC.

Further information about these hearings will be posted on the Antitrust Division's Web site at http://www.usdoj.gov/atr/public/hearings/single_firm/sfchearing.htm and on the FTC's Web site at <http://www.ftc.gov/os/sectiontwohearings/index.htm>. Individuals seeking more information on the hearings should contact Gail Kursh, Deputy Chief, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division, at singlefirmconduct@usdoj.gov, or Patricia Schultheiss, FTC, at section2hearings2@ftc.gov.

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